

House Resolution No. 801

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State organizations which are dedicated to helping today's students prepare for roles as lifelong learners and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, the Gifted Association of Missouri was founded in 1981 on the beliefs that children with unusual potential have unique learning needs and that an appropriate education is every Missourian's concern; and

Whereas, the Gifted Association of Missouri has been instrumental in the founding and ongoing development of the Missouri Scholars Academy; workshops for educators new to Gifted Education; the publication and availability of low-cost informational books and videotapes; activities that foster gifted awareness, such as Gifted Education Week; the annual Missouri State Conference on Gifted Education; and scholarships for teachers in gifted education; and

Whereas, since children are among the state's most vital citizens, valued resources, and treasured family and community members, the Gifted Association of Missouri seeks to create awareness among parents, educators, and the general public of the characteristics, needs, and educational requirements of the gifted and talented; and

Whereas, the Gifted Association of Missouri supports the development and funding of programs for the gifted and talented, speakers bureaus, and teacher training; and

Whereas, the Gifted Association of Missouri shares and disseminates information about existing local, state, and national educational programs for the gifted and talented and encourages research related to the identification and education of gifted and talented children:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, contributions, and accomplishments associated with the Gifted Association of Missouri and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt welcome to the state capitol for Gifted Education of Missouri Day on March 2, 2005; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Gifted Association of Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Sara Lampe
District No. 138

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 801, adopted February 28, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker